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CONSTITUTING THE BATTERY MODULE

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

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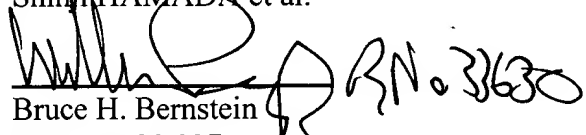
Sir:

During a telephonic interview of July 8, 2004 between Examiner John S. Maples and Applicant's representative, Attorney Joshua Povsner, the Examiner suggested that minor cosmetic Amendments be made. He stated that "flat lower portion" did not have proper antecedent basis at the end of claim 13. Aggreable language was worked out with Applicant's representative and is reflected in the Examiner's Amendment.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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